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1. The firm L. Blum, Praha I, Prikopy 31, agreed to import 16,278 m linen oilcloth and artificial leather from USIVA and to export to USIVA, through the Chemical Works Dynamit-Nobel, Bratislava, 200 tons sulphocarburet. Value of compensation agreement: 2,200,000 Czech crowns.
2. The firm Kotva of Zlin agreed to import 4,858.33 kg cotton and 3,125 kg of "Igelit" (a plastic substance) from USIVA and to export to USIVA 2,500 kg of separators and 22,390 kg of "Igelit" products. Value of compensation agreement: 299,900 Czech crowns.
3. The firm Kotva, Zlin, agreed to import 15,000 kg "Igelit" from USIVA and to export to USIVA 10,000 battery cases. Value of compensation agreement: 630,000 Czech crowns.
4. The firm Kotva, Zlin, agreed to import 1,189.39 kg AGO-Klebstoff (glue) and 1,151.95 kg cotton from USIVA and to export to USIVA 2,000 kg bakelite powder. Value of transaction: 80,000 Czech crowns.
5. The firm Kotva, Zlin, agreed to import 23,636 kg shoemakers' glue from USIVA and to export to USIVA 100,000 kg carbide. Value of barter transaction: 780,000 Czech crowns.

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6. The Centrokooperacia, Bratislava, agreed to import 200,000 kg sunflower edible oil from USIVA and to export to USIVA 600,000 kg refined sugar through the Zuckerhandels-gesellschaft, Prague. Value of barter transaction: 9,600,000 Czech crowns.

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Comment: It is noted that no new oil agreement is mentioned in any of the above barter arrangements. The reason for this is that the agreement of 30 May, calling for exchange of 6,000 tons crude petroleum from USIVA and 20,000 tons brown coal from the Czechoslovak mines, had not yet run its course. The agreement was of the value of 12,320,000 Czech crowns and was to be completed by 31 August 1947.)

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